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Shunpei YAMAZAKI et al. )  
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For: METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING  
LIQUID CRYSTAL DISPLAY DEVICE

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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.56, the accompanying information is being submitted in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§1.97 and 1.98.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.98, a copy of each of the documents cited is enclosed. However, copies of the listed U.S. patents and U.S. patent application publications are not enclosed since it is no longer required according to the July 11, 2003 waiver of the requirement for copies of cited U.S. patents and U.S. patent application publications in national patent applications filed after June 30, 2003 and international applications entering the national stage under 35 U.S.C. §371 after June 30, 2003.

The documents are being submitted within three (3) months of the filing or entry of the national stage of this application or before the first Office Action on the merits, whichever is later. Since these documents are being filed within the time period set forth in 37 C.F.R. 1.97(b), no fee or statement is required.

Applicants inform the Examiner that US 5,162,901 and JP 03-141325 (except EP 0 399 846 A2) were cited by the Japan Patent Office on December 21, 2004 in a counterpart International Application No. PCT/JP2004/016796, as

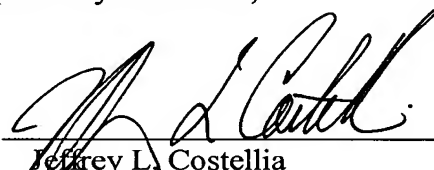
shown in the attached Partial International Search Report. Please note that EP 0 399 846 A2 is in the same family as US 5,162,901 and JP 03-141325.

It is requested that the accompanying PTO-1449 be considered and made of record in the above-identified application. To assist the Examiner, the documents are listed on the attached form PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that an Examiner initialed copy of this form be returned to the undersigned.

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